

Signals and Circuits

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Inductors

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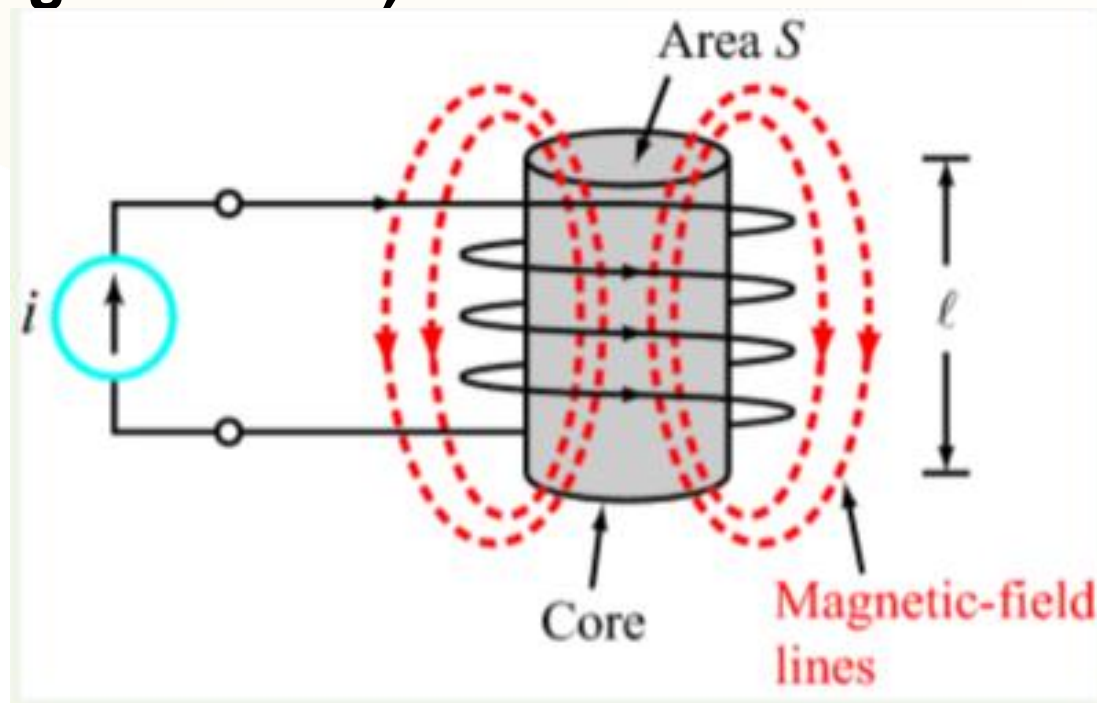
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Inductor

An inductor is a passive element.

An inductor is an electrical device composed of a coil of resistance-less wire wound around a supporting core whose material may be magnetic or non-magnetic. (e. g. solenoid)



It can store energy/magnetic-flux linkage and give it back at a later time.

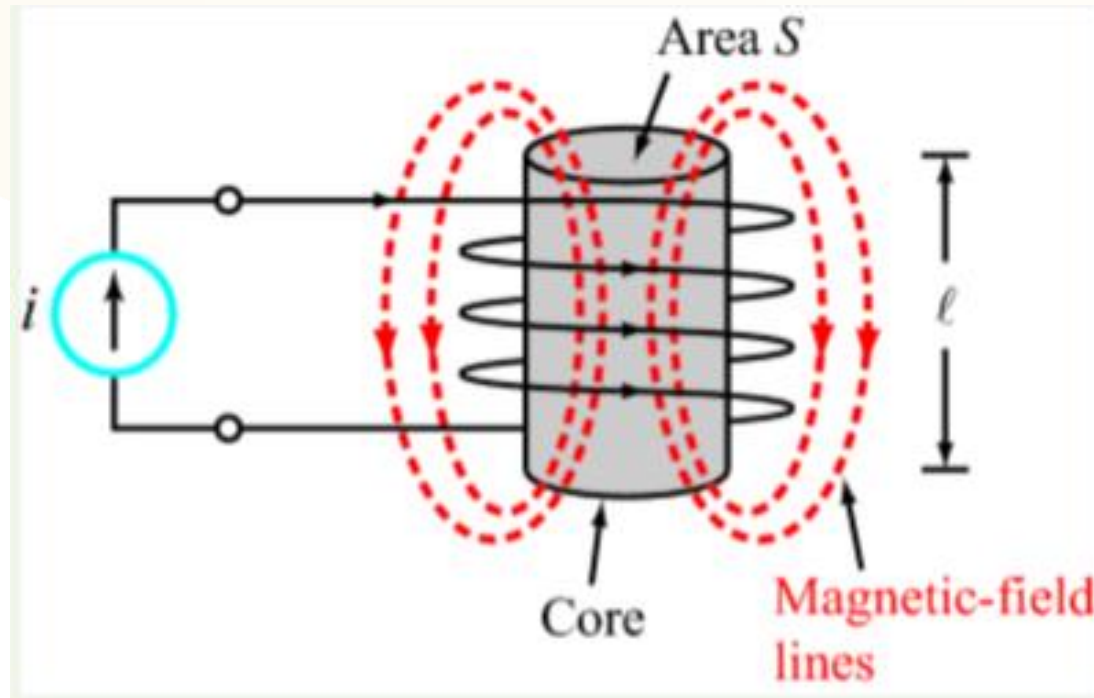
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Application

- **Magnetic characteristics**
- **RF chokes**
- **Tuned circuit**

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How to form magnetic-flux linkage Λ



Henry, after Joseph
Henry (1797-1878)

$$L = \frac{\Lambda}{i} = \frac{\mu N^2 S}{l} \text{ (H)}$$

L is the inductance.

after Wilhelm Weber (1804-1891)

$$\Lambda = \left(\frac{\mu N^2 S}{l} \right) i \text{ (Wb)}$$

S is the cross-sectional area of the core (m^2)

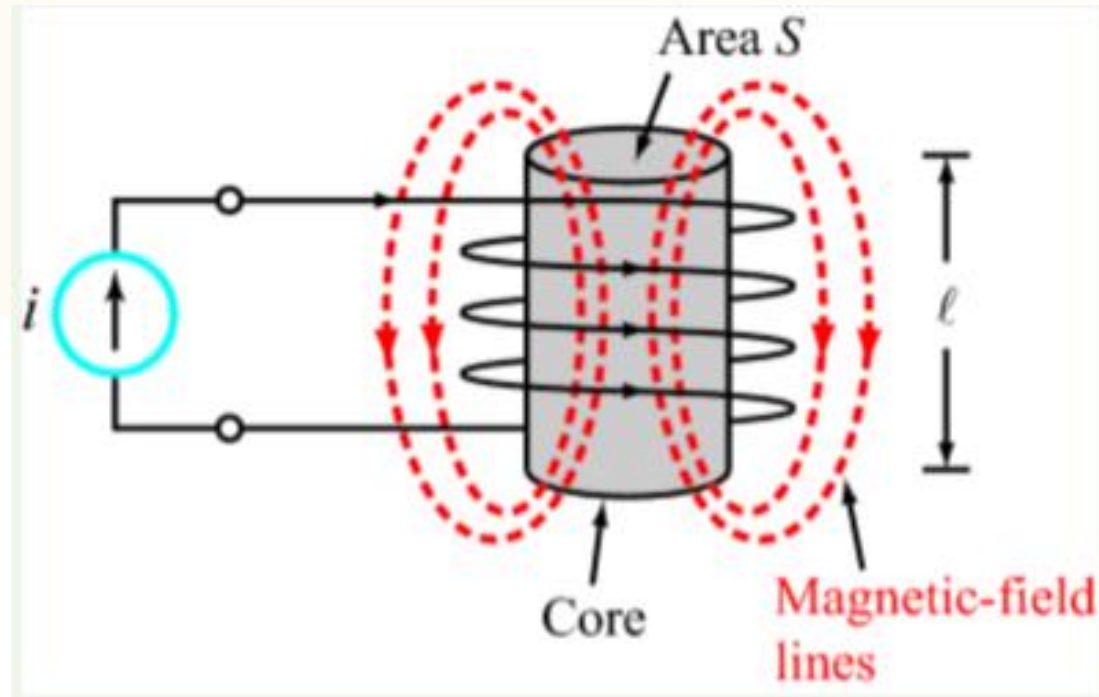
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The permeability is a property of a material that relates to how easy it is for the material to get magnetized.

Usually permeabilities are measured with respect to the permeability of vacuum. Its value is:

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$$

The relative permeability is defined as:

$$\mu_r = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}$$

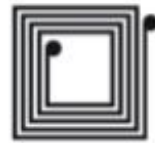
Conductive metal usually has high relative permeability:

Cobalt	250
Nickel	600
Steel	2000

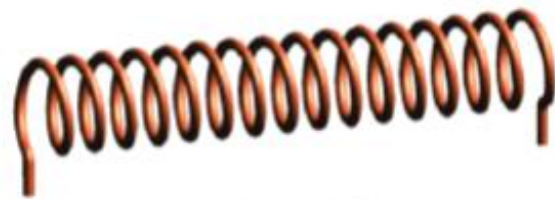
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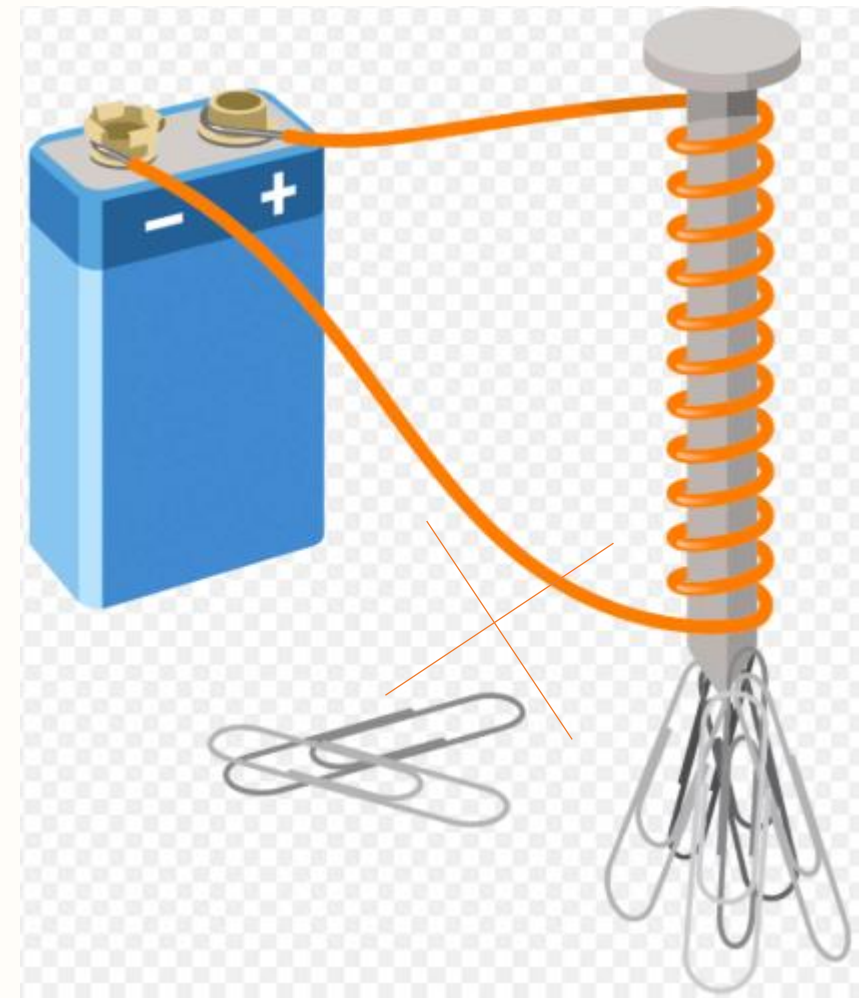
High current inductor



Planar inductor



Solenoid



<https://www.dkfindout.com/us/science/magnets/solenoids/>



(a) Fixed



(b) Variable

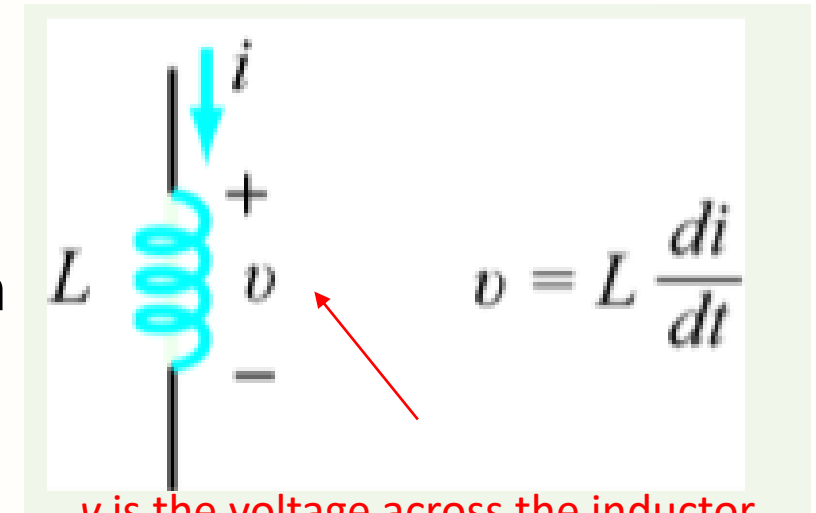
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Electrical properties

$$L = \frac{\Lambda}{i}$$

- According to Faradays law, if the magnetic-flux linkage in an inductor (or a circuit) changes with time, it induces a voltage v across the inductor's terminal.

$$v = \frac{d\Lambda}{dt} = \frac{diL}{dt} = L \frac{di}{dt}$$



v is the voltage across the inductor

The direction of i is entering the positive terminal of the inductor.

- Under a stable DC condition, an inductor acts like a short circuit.

For stable DC $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{di}{dt} = 0 \\ v = L \frac{di}{dt} = 0 \end{array} \right.$

- Get the current

$$\int_{t_0}^t \frac{di}{dt'} dt' = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v dt' \quad i(t) = i(t_0) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v dt'$$

- To get power $p(t) = vi = Li \frac{di}{dt}$

Sign of the power?

- To get energy change

$$w(t) = \int_{t_0}^t p dt' = L \int_{t_0}^t \left(i \frac{di}{dt'} \right) dt' = L \int_{t_0}^t \left[\frac{d}{dt'} \left(\frac{1}{2} i^2 \right) \right] dt' = \frac{1}{2} L (i(t))^2 - \frac{1}{2} L (i(t_0))^2$$

Sign of the energy?

- To get the stored energy

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} L (i(t))^2$$

inductors

- E. G.

Given

$$i_L(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ 20t, & 0 < t < 1 \\ 20, & t > 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{A}$$

through 0.1H inductor, Find $V_L(t)$, $P_L(t)$, and $W_L(t)$.

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To get energy change

$$w(t) = \frac{1}{2} Li(t)^2 - \frac{1}{2} Li(t_0)^2$$

Determine the currents in the circuit. Assume that the circuit has been in its present condition for a long time.

